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Tentative settlement reached in dispute

By Alan Elliott

Ontario colleges support staff workers and management reached a tentative settlement in their labor dispute Oct. 1 after three days of bargaining.

Salaries will increase six per cent a year in the two-year contract. The colleges also improved the vacation package for employees of 17 years or more, made concessions in job security and agreed to up-

date the dental fee schedule.

The workers have been without a contract since Aug. 31 when mediation broke off, with the union calling for a rejection of the colleges' latest offer and a vote to strike. Sixty-five per cent province wide turned down the offer Sept. 26 and 50 per cent were in favor of strike action.

Andre Bekerman, senior negotiator for the Ontario Public Employees Union, which repre-

sents the workers, said he considers the offer satisfactory.

"It has some limitations. We would have liked to see more money," Bekerman said, but added that without a strike mandate the union had to curtail salary demands.

Conestoga College president John Tibbits said union negotiators managed to obtain the maximum in wages the colleges had to offer. "There's no doubt if they'd had a

strike mandate, we'd have had a strike," said Tibbits, who chaired the college bargaining committee.

He said the one-half per cent and benefits added after the Aug. 31 breakdown were there from the beginning.

"We were prepared to give. But if people aren't going to settle you have to be in a position where your back is not right to the wall."

Chuck Whitehead, chief steward for the Conestoga College union

local, said the offer is probably enough to obtain a favorable vote, but feels the six-per-cent hike favors those in the higher pay bands, representing about 60 cents at the lower end and about \$1.40 at the upper.

"It costs a clerk as much for a loaf of bread as a support staff officer."

He said former negotiations have included an equalization of the pay hike but that management stayed clear of the idea this time.



But it's not even exam time yet

Diana Prsa, first year accounting student catches up on some lost shut eye in the learning resource centre.

(Photo by Terra Crowley/Spoke)

Local community helps with student housing

By Lisa Shiels

This year Conestoga College's student services had the largest response ever from community members offering housing facilities to students.

Over the summer, computer services personnel at Doon campus developed a new housing program that is able to produce separate lists according to what students are looking for. "The list you get is appropriate for your needs," said Myrna Nicholas, of the student services support staff at Doon.

To produce a more accurate list of housing still available, rented rooms or apartments are

eliminated so that updated lists can be obtained.

The average price for room and board is \$85 a week and a room with cooking facilities is about \$65 a week. Others charge an amount per month.

A student residence is a housing option that could not be considered previously, because it wasn't in the mandate of a community college. The mandate has been changed however and colleges can now "entertain the idea," said Nicholas. College equipment and facilities must be updated however, before administration can consider putting money into this type of housing.

Doon's lack of parking hurts image, says teacher

By Cindy Madill

Students may think they're the only ones affected by Doon's overcrowded parking lots, but according to law and security instructor, Brent Walker, "We're all in the same boat."

"There are a lot of things that can be said about parking and none of them are good," said Walker.

Bob Hays, law and security coordinator, finds there are three main problems with parking.

Firstly, the law and security faculty often cannot find a space upon returning from a brief trip off-campus. Secondly, visitors to the college may get a bad impression from the lack of parking or the long walks.

"They reach the college and are in this large holding pattern with nowhere to go," said Walker. He added, "That sure doesn't make us look good."

Thirdly, Hays doesn't think there is enough parking space for the amount of vehicles pouring into the college. In the mean time, some of the executive have designated spots.

"The higher up the pole, the fewer worries," said Walker.

Hays believes there is a problem with the contractual agreement of the annual decal.

"I think there's a fair chance that

if it was taken to a judge, the ticket would be thrown out," said Hays. He added, "People are paying \$60 annually for nothing."

"As a faculty member, I would be willing to pay more to be guaranteed a space," said Betty Schiedel, elective instructor.

Schiedel said that there is a restricted lot for faculty but that it is difficult to get a spot.

Last year, Schiedel parked in a no-parking area because there weren't any spaces available. She was ticketed.

"My alternative was to park my car in a no-parking area and get ticketed or to stay at home," said Schiedel.

Schiedel tried to have her ticket dismissed but was refused because it had been issued by city police, not the college.

Bill Alderson, construction engineering technology instructor, believes that the college is presenting a bad image.

Alderson suggests the college build a visitor parking lot near college doors.

Schiedel isn't sure how the college could improve on the parking but suggested students car pool.

"I guess we have to be realistic, though, about the lifestyle of the student," she said.

"Maybe it's not as easy as it sounds."

Signs for Doon to cost \$50,000

By Brian Shypula

Conestoga College will spend more than \$50,000 installing new signs around Doon campus to assist visitors in finding their way to parking and buildings.

The plan, approved by college management and the executive of the board of governors in August, will involve:

- erecting new roadway directional signs that will mark routes to parking and buildings
- installing new signs for all buildings on campus, which will necessitate naming the main building
- moving the large sign from Homer Watson Blvd. to the entrance of the college's new access road to the college
- eventually re-doing all signs inside college buildings.

David Gross, vice-president of marketing and community rela-

tions, said the new signs are part of a "vision to improve the image of the college and facilities."

Gross labelled the lack of signs "a significant problem," adding there has been pressure from faculty and staff who complained visitors to the college get lost.

Some signs have already been installed in front of the administration building. The red signs with white lettering, each indicating a department within administration, were necessary to solve "an immediate crisis during registration," said Gross of the difficulty in directing large numbers of first-year students to appropriate offices.

Gross explained that moving the large sign from Homer Watson Boulevard to its new location is the responsibility of the City of Kitchener as agreed upon as part of the project to have the new road

built. However, the college also plans to re-face the sign and will have to bear the cost.

The sign will be re-done in Conestoga College colors and will include the new emblem, said Gross.

Originally, the college planned to construct the signs out of wood using facilities at Doon campus.

David Putt, director of physical resources at the college, said the plan had to be scrapped due to difficulties in obtaining computer software capable of linking a computer-aided-design program to the computer-controlled router in the woodworking centre.

The college has since obtained the necessary software but plans to purchase the signs from outside sources anyway.

Putt added physical resources work crews hope to have the new signs installed by the end of December.

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Things never change

It looks like parking troubles will be around forever. From the Oct. 2, 1979 issue of Spoke.



College students have a choice

By Cindy Madill

After four weeks of school, first-year students have made some decisions.

There are those who love their program and sing into their breakfast cereal each morning, and those who wake up to the sound of ear-piercing wardens called Mom, screaming "Get out of bed and let the dog out!"

Mom is nine feet tall with a mouth that could wrap itself around Doon's cylindrical staircase.

The student doesn't want to get out of bed, let alone hold the door open for the dog in the chilly fall air.

You think you're alone, but you're not. There are millions of other students running around in long underwear, three pairs of sport socks and slippers with piggy ears, asking themselves, "Why did I ever register?"

Last year I went through this routine day after day, although I'm being easy on the warden.

The mornings seemed easier than the nights because I didn't have to face any relatives who always seemed to ask how school was coming. With a plastic smile I would say, "Everything is coming just great. I'm going to be the next Robertson Davies," and hide in my room for the rest of their visit.

Why did I come back to school? The answer is simple.

When I am finally finished with Conestoga College and working in the real world, I don't want to get up for work every morning to stare Mini Wheats, singing, "Take this job and shove it."

I want to wake up feeling good about myself. I want to be able to say that I succeeded because I was able to fight that chilly fall air.

LETTER

Being the level-headed individual that I am, I have noticed that students, at least at this campus, have not been taking this strike very seriously.

I get the impression that no one really gives a s__t. Don't get me wrong. I have heard some talk about it, but nothing too serious. I asked a couple of people the other day how they felt about it; the one guy said "If it doesn't have anything to do with smoking, then don't worry about it." The other said "It will pass, you'll see. There won't be any strike."

But what if there is one? Does anyone really care?

What will we do then? Rally like in the "old days?" Yes, that's it, cause a scene: curse the government, curse the teachers, curse Oakland. Get media coverage on the whole thing. But then what do you have? Not much, we're back to square one.

There isn't a whole lot we can do about it except hope. Hope that we don't have to find jobs to pass the time. Hope that our Christmas holidays aren't cut shorter than they already are. Hope that our spring break and part of the summer aren't spent in classes.

I think that an education is important, and you can't put a price on it. For the amount of tax dollars wasted each year it is well worth the 10.33% increase to the teachers. I vote for settlement. Soon.

Chris DeFrancisco

second year business administration — marketing

Campus drinking needs cure

By Tara Ziemani

His name was Richard Sloan and he was 19. In the morning hours of Jan. 29, he died a horrible, and worse yet, preventable death.

After consuming 16 alcoholic drinks in three hours, Sloan was found lying outside the bathroom of a University of Guelph restaurant. He had asphyxiated on his own vomit.

Sloan had been visiting the campus for a friend's birthday, and as celebrations often do, it got out of hand.

The race to outdrink friends is an unspoken and unwritten challenge that many students take seriously. Many drink alcohol to prove they are seasoned drinkers.

One can only presume that Sloan felt himself able to handle his alcohol. Whatever the case, it wasn't the first alcohol-related death and it won't be the last.

The coroner's inquest into Sloan's death raised more questions than answers. Suddenly student drinking has reared its ugly head, and it is a monster.

The inquest offered suggestions such as raising the legal drinking age. Fake identification can take care of that. Hours that alcohol is served on campus should be cut down. People can start drinking earlier. Maybe a drinking buddy system should be implemented. Drinkers can lean on each other when their balance goes.

Rules were meant to be broken, and when it comes to student-drinking, more rules mean more challenge and more enjoyment breaking them.

Perhaps the answer lies in education. Students should know how much alcohol their bodies can tolerate, what happens when their bodies reject it, and how serious the consequences can be.

Education must start in the early grades. Studies show that the majority of students have started drinking at age 15. Some this age are addicted.

Alcohol goes hand in hand with the development of social skills. Is there any reason why saying no to drugs should not include saying no to alcohol? Richard Sloan was young and susceptible to peer pressure. He probably drank because his friends wanted him to, and it was the last good time he had. Was it worth it?

Decaying world is ignored by people seeking pleasure



By Andy Schoenhofer

(Apologies to the people who expected more parking information/diatribe this week. It is forthcoming.)

We are faced with thousands of perils in our lives on this planet. Nuclear war, environmental disaster, AIDS, mugging and disfiguring shaving accidents assail us.

But the darkest cloud looming on our personal horizon is if we have a date for Satur-

day night.

A class filled with hot debate over abortion laws is followed in the hallway by an even more animated discussion of the relative merits of movie-theater popcorn or Nicholson's Tavern as aphrodisiacs.

Or the old standby: a case of beer.

The TV news, about to mention the abolition of war, disease, taxes and traffic tickets, must be interrupted for a phone call consisting of silences interrupted by "Of course I do" and "Uh-huh" and sometimes even "Cheeseburgers! Cheeseburgers and tapioca!"

This last one is invariably followed by loud snickers.

These are people who have an outside

chance of achieving Nirvana by going out with their gender of choice and getting or receiving dinner and maybe (I'm not necessarily recommending this, mind) breakfast.

Other people, the ones who can't get a date but wish they could, watch TV. Invariably, there's a show on with psychologists discussing the relative merits of popcorn and taverns as aphrodisiacs. The watchers drink the case of beer this time.

So where did Canadian society go wrong? How did we get our priorities so mixed up? Scientists are stumped!

The answer is simple: we're not mixed up, the world is. No matter what you think — that we climbed out of primordial slime or some other theory just as hard to believe — we

humans were here before nuclear weapons or shaving or even cases of beer. We made the world the way it is and we made it ourselves. And how did we do it? Of course! by going to the drive-in on Saturday nights (see Flintstones, any opening credits).

Before calendars, though, every night was a Saturday night. They got boring and we thought up other things to do like throw rocks or see what everyone would look like without facial hair.

Now, millions of years later (or, depending on who you believe, 6,026 years later), our world has gotten bad enough that the only thing keeping us from giving up is the hope of a date Saturday night.

And boy, am I hoping.

Grads' success is graphic

By Deb Miller

Conestoga College's graphic arts and design course is an excellent testing ground for art students, but applying their education in the working world has more bearing, a Conestoga graduate says.

"College is a good place to hone your craft," said Mark Bugdale, who graduated in 1986 from the graphic design course.

"You learn how to use the tools and gain a sense of what areas of the field appeal to you," he said.

Before applying to the college, Bugdale had no idea what he wanted to do.

"All through high school I was bouncing around ideas, and then I came across a brochure of Conestoga's graphic arts and design course," he said. The first time he applied, one of 300 applicants, Bugdale was put on a waiting list because only 30 students were accepted that year.

He reapplied the following September and was accepted.

"Once into the course, I knew it was exactly what I wanted," he said.

While he was honing his craft, completing projects and competing with the growing competitiveness of the business, Bugdale kept one thought in the back of his mind.

"If I couldn't get a job (upon graduation), I'd make one," he said.

In his first year out of school, Bugdale worked for an advertising firm.

"Working in the first job was a great springboard — a catalyst to develop into a lot of different areas of your craft," he said.

But it wasn't until Bugdale opened his own graphic advertising and design firm in July 1989 called Impact Group, that he experienced true satisfaction.

"Seeing your own artwork in a magazine or hearing a commercial you wrote on the radio is a thrill," he said.

Bugdale hasn't had any formal training in computer graphics but has begun exploring that area. He now has a computerized system in his office, located in an old library on Water Street in Cambridge, and plans to teach himself the basics.

Bugdale and his one employee, Dennis Owens, have done design work for several companies in the Cambridge area, including Allen-Bradley, the Holiday Inn, the City of Cambridge and Grand Mark Homes, and maintain that being located in "Canada's technology triangle" is a plus in the business.

"It seems everyone graduating in the arts field thinks they need to go to Toronto to make it big, but I say why not wait for Toronto to come to us?" he said.



A motorcycle driver training student tries the slalom course in parking lot 3 at Conestoga College's Doon Campus.

(Photo By Shari MacMullin/Spoke)

Alumni beneficial for college

By Deb Miller

Students learn quickly of college services available for the duration of their programs, but many aren't aware that some are still available after graduation, said alumni officer Mary Wright.

An Alumni Association, established last November at the Doon campus, allows all Conestoga graduates access to the recreation centre, placement services, the college's learning resource centre. It also provides information on pub activities and student trips.

"Right now we are trying to locate about 26,000 graduates" in an effort to inform them of the new association and gain their involvement, Wright said.

Alumni have the opportunity to share their insight as guest speakers for current students and provide work placement programs in their field of employment.

The association also offers assistance in organizing class reunions and home-coming events.

"One thing we did this year is have a guest speaker come to the June Convocation," Wright said. All graduates recieved a personalized grad pack that included brochures of services, a membership card and the first copy of Connections magazine, a newsletter that will be distributed to alumni three times a year.

The magazine will keep graduates updated on social events, services available, and what former classmates have been doing since graduation.

As a graduate of Conestoga, Wright says "meeting alumni — finding out where they are and what they've been doing" is enjoyable.

Co-ordinators in some programs like social services, broadcasting and law and security are tracking down graduates on their own and keep updated files, Wright said.

"Social services has its own executive committee, which is elected every year," she said. They also produce their own newsletter.

The broadcasting program has its own resource book and keeps a list of graduates. The law and security department often invite students back for annual banquets, Wright

said.

While the alumni association is not a new idea — colleges and universities have been utilising such a service for years — Wright

sees it as beneficial for the college.

"Most people are excited about becoming involved. I think it can't do anything but enhance the image of the college," she said.



Mary Wright, alumni officer at Conestoga College, shows copies of alumni information provided to graduates.

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Bikers-in-training

By Shari MacMullin

The last session of a motorcycle driver training program developed this year through the Canada safety council took place at Conestoga's Doon campus the week of Oct. 1.

Conestoga College's Doon campus handles the course's administration and supplies the classrooms.

The cost of the 22-hour course is \$175 and classes run from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. Dave Weight, a senior instructor, said they teach the mechanical operations of the motorcycle, collision avoidance, breaking prac-

tices, slow riding skills and traffic awareness.

The motorcycles used for the training are supplied by local dealers. None of the students may ride their own because of insurance problems and damage costs. Each rider must supply and wear their own helmet, jacket, gloves and boots.

The program teaches the students all the skills, plus extras like how to buy a motorcycle.

At the end of the program a certified document is given to successful students. From there each of them must be tested by the Ministry of Transportation.



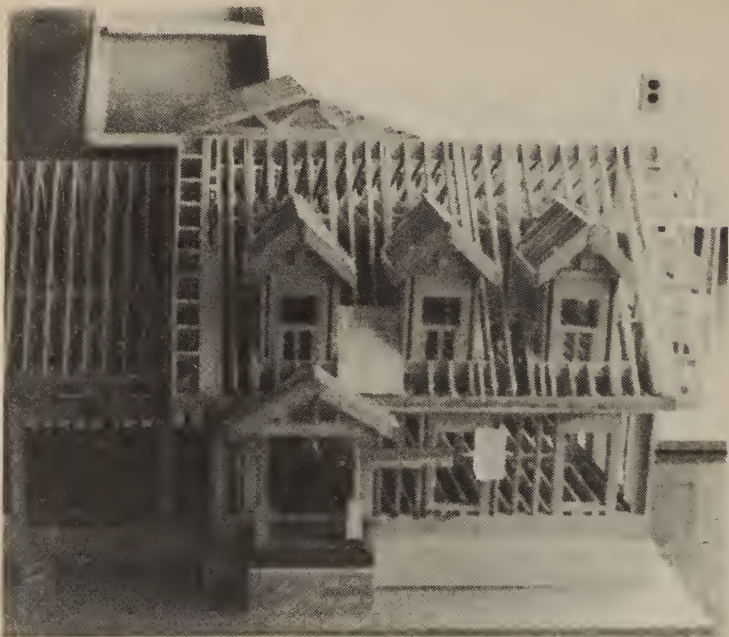
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A model of a home built by a student in the carpentry program at the Guelph campus.
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Pub format remains

By Nancy Medeiros

Despite strict recommendations made by a coroner's jury probing the alcohol-related death of an Oakville man at the University of Guelph, no changes will be made to Conestoga pubs, said John Lassel, Doon Student Association president.

After a three-hour drinking binge, 19-year-old Richard Sloan choked on his vomit in Mountain Hall residence at the university.

Sloan's death has heightened alcohol awareness, but Lassel said the recommendations should not affect Conestoga. He also believes college students are not known for drinking as heavily as their university counterparts.

"I think Conestoga College has got an excellent track record in terms of how the pubs are run — how the patrons are handled. I don't really feel we should be jumping the gun on any policy decision because one university is having a problem," Lassel said.

Pitchers of draught beer, which are available at university pubs, are not available at Conestoga.

Lassel views pitcher sales as dangerous, adding that Conestoga pubs are not held often enough to be considered watering holes.

He said problems exist when university pub staff let familiar customers continue to drink, believing they will get home safely.

Lassel says this cannot happen at Conestoga since pub positions are rotated throughout the night.

Alcohol awareness at Conestoga is more of a moral issue since no general policy was defined at a pub staff orientation Sept. 5.

Unlike universities, Conestoga has no sign-in policy for visitors. They are monitored just as closely as students.

As part of an effort to discourage excessive drinking, Guelph university students are limited to buying one drink at a time. Since no problems have occurred at Conestoga, numerous tokens for alcohol can be purchased at a time.

Lassel plans to study the inquest's findings, but feels radical changes to pub format are not necessary.

Doll houses sold at Guelph

By Lori Krachuk

Conestoga College's Guelph campus looks as if it has become a miniature construction site, with models of houses displayed throughout its lobby.

The models are one of the projects carpentry students must complete as part of their one-year course. The course is compressed compared to other colleges where the course runs two to three years.

Teacher William Knox said the models give students experience in reading blueprints, placing structures and understanding the renovation process.

"The models are used for quite a number of practices. It's cheaper to

build models than full scale," Knox said.

During the course, students complete an estimated 25 projects in workshops and on site.

The models took about three weeks for students to finish, which amounts to about three hours per day in the shop, Knox said.

The course deals with all aspects of building a home, he said. One project the students must complete involves a written and drawn presentation of a house design.

An oral presentation with slides and transparencies shows all aspects of the house design, including electrical placements and location of heating, drainage and venting systems. Students 'sell' the designs to the class, who then point out the structures' faults.

The course concentrates primarily on home construction and its supervision.

During the course's first three months, students learn how to use both portable and stationary equipment and focus on safety on the site and in the workshop. They are also taught basic skills in stair-building and cabinet-making. Students also work with building foundations, hanging ceilings and laying grid-work and tiles.

Knox said the models are on sale for about \$25, and buyers include people looking for doll houses for their children or other schools who teach woodworking.

Elvis lives on student's bedroom wall

By Lori Krachuk

The day Elvis Presley died, Kelley McIntyre was eight and staying with an aunt on a farm for the summer.

The first-year broadcasting radio and television student recalls seeing the headlines, pictures, movies and television shows that appeared constantly following his death and the airing of the entertainer's last performance, the Aloha Concert, filmed in Hawaii.

She remembers that the weekend after his death, she made her parents buy her an Elvis poster.

Since then, McIntyre's collection has grown from one to 124 posters, which she rotates on her walls every six months and on his birthday. Her collection also includes 200 records and about 300 books and magazines.

She estimates that she has about \$4,500 worth of collectibles. Her most cherished items include tickets to an Aug. 18 concert in 1977, the day of his funeral. She also owns a soundproof tile from the American Sound Studio in Memphis where Elvis recorded, which has since been closed down.

McIntyre has visited Graceland, Elvis' home in Memphis, Tenn.

three times, and has met a number of interesting people who knew the singer. She was impressed when she happened to meet Elvis' double, second cousin Jimmy Gamble. She described the experience as "spooky. He didn't try to dress like Elvis or do his hair like him, but he looked the same."

She also enjoyed meeting the Jordannaires, who sang backup for Elvis. Another memorable moment came when McIntyre went with a friend to see Elvis impersonator Elvis Wade at Bingeman Park in Kitchener. Her friend began to heckle and soon both of them were pulled on stage.

"I thought he was kidding," recalled Kelley, who sang along to

Jailhouse Rock. She was disappointed because no one took pictures of her on stage.

One summer, while touring Memphis and Nashville, McIntyre visited a travelling Elvis museum owned by collector Jimmy Velvet. Velvet offered McIntyre up to \$3,000 for an Elvis doll she owned, still wearing its original clothes. She refused the offer, but added "at least I'll know who to call if I ever need money!"

McIntyre has also been a member of the Elvis in Canada fan club since 1985 and attends its conventions annually. She even plans to miss her high school graduation to attend this year's event.

Spoke cheque missing

By Sharon Slater

A \$6,562.50 cheque appears to have been misplaced, according to Phil Olinski, business manager for the Doon Student Association.

Olinski said a cheque was issued by the association July 10 to help fund Spoke, the student newspaper, and has not been cashed yet.

The association has a contract to fund Spoke, and the cheque was the 1989-90 instalment.

Nancy Hammacher, chairperson of applied arts, said she was not aware of a misplaced cheque.

"The fact that the cheque hasn't been cashed doesn't mean that the journalism department isn't getting any money," said Hammacher.

The Spoke contract also seems to have been held up.

According to Olinski, a contract for Spoke's operation was signed and forwarded to the college Aug. 23. The association has yet to receive a copy of the contract.

Olinski said because he doesn't know if the contract has been signed, the association and Spoke still do not have a working agreement for 1989-90.

Olinski added that he didn't believe the cheque incident and the contract problem were related.

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Pigs ham it up at nooner

By Mike Hermann

It was standing room only for Conestoga College's second nooner of the year Sept. 27.

Corky and the Juice Pigs, otherwise known as Greg Neole, Phil Nichol and Sean Cullen, brought their musical comedy act to the cafeteria for an afternoon of side-splitting fun.

The trio began by giving their own version of the theme song from the Maude television series, and from there it got progressively weirder.

Then they launched right into their "thought" part of the act.

"Thought. When cows laugh does milk come out of their noses too?" was only one of the ideas they pondered.

With songs like My Dad, He's a Killer, Pour Vous, which they translated as Kiss me before we burn — a little ditty about the coming of the end of the world — it wasn't difficult to figure out that these three aren't your run-of-the-mill comedy act.

They also did takeoffs of Bruce Springsteen's I'm on Fire and many Elvis hits like Teddy Bear and Hunk of Burning Love.

Neole, who joined the group last May, recited one of his so-called award-winning poems titled Church Picnic Massacre, which had the audience rolling on the floor.



Greg Neole sucks his finger as fellow Juice Pig Phil Nichol loses his head.

(Photo by Mike Hermann/Spoke)

It was impossible not to laugh at the trio, whose songs included lyrics such as "My dog has rabies, won't you help me kill him please," and "I used my grandma as a skateboard."

They did, however, stop singing long enough to poke good-natured

fun at the cafeteria staff and the security guard on hand.

But the highlight of the act was their impression of the Solid Gold Dancers. The three lept off the stage and gyrated in front of helpless students sitting in the front rows.

Lulu's bash a blast

By Mike Hermann

When you have one of Canada's largest bars in your backyard, there are certain advantages.

Lulu's in Kitchener was the site of a gathering of students from various colleges and universities from across Ontario Sept. 27. For Conestoga students, the drive was a short one, while students from places like Windsor endured a three-hour ride.

Despite the driving time, students were treated to a great night of entertainment.

The event was organized by the Canadian Organization of Campus Activities and saved a great deal of time and effort for the Doon Student Association.

"To book five bands is an incredible amount of work and one executive council couldn't do that," said John Lassel, association president.

He said there was a great deal of interest in the event and the first batch of tickets were sold out, so another batch had to be sent.

About 180 tickets were sold. Headlining the five bands was the popular Canadian group, Frozen Ghost. Other bands included GNP, Glider and the Roadhouse band.

Cheryl Davenport, activities coordinator, said that "\$1 of the \$5 ticket goes towards COCA, so it's a fund-raiser."

She said the money would be used for the annual COCA national conference.

Economic advantages aside, Davenport pointed out that events like the one at Lulu's are "a good way to get colleges and universities interacting."

Unfortunately, many of the colleges and universities that were expected to show never did, but those that did had an exciting and entertaining night.



Frozen Ghost rocks at Lulu's during the show for over 20 Ontario colleges and universities Sept. 27.

(Photo by Sharon Slater/Spoke)

Students unaware of insurance coverage

By Andrea Buckley

The majority of Conestoga College's students are not aware of the insurance coverage provided for them, says Marilyn Fischer, a senior health centre nurse.

Reliable Life Insurance Company gives full-time fee-paying students an insurance plan as part of their tuition. It covers all accidents that occur on college premises during school-sponsored activities and while travelling directly to or from the college.

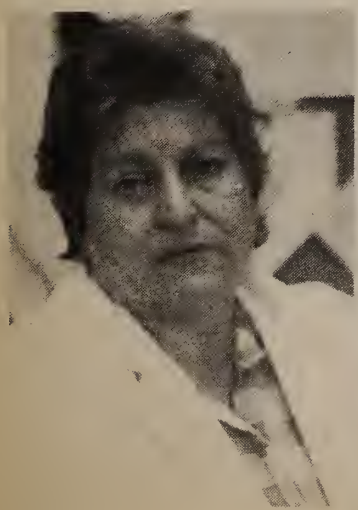
Fischer said this includes all student association activities and intramural events such as inter-campus tournaments, varsity athletics, and even the Doon Student Association annual boat race, which is probably the most dangerous activity of the school year.

The plan does not cover dental treatment costs for artificial teeth or work done strictly for esthetic reasons. Repairs on eyeglasses or contact lenses and any treatment of self-inflicted injuries are not covered.

Fischer said each student should have received a copy of these guidelines when they registered for programs, as well as an optional insurance plan offered by the same company.

Only six people have picked up application forms for the optional plan, which covers students for a full year for \$16.

Although most Ontarians are covered under the Ontario Health Insurance Plan, Fischer said both Reliable policies contain many additional benefits. Amounts of up to \$25,000 for loss of sight are offered in the optional plan, and as much as \$11,500 can be obtained from the plan provided by the college.



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SPORTS

Moffatt pitches six innings of shutout baseball

By Alan Elliott

What began as a tight defensive battle broke open in the fourth and fifth innings, when the Conestoga Condors women's softball team beat Centennial College 8-0 in their home opener.

Sandra Moffatt pitched six innings of the shutout, striking out 12 and allowing two hits and a walk. She was relieved by Jenny Vanderzwaag in the seventh, who had two strikeouts and allowed one hit and a walk.

In the first three innings, Centennial pitcher Leslie Champion struck out two and allowed two hits.

Tracey Gimby broke the score-

less tie in the fourth when she singled to right, stole second and third, then made it home on a wild pitch by Champion. Shelley Kitchen walked and stole the rounds to make it 2-0.

Dawn Smale started things off for the Condors in the fifth, singling with a hard punch to centre field and eventually stealing her way home.

Heather Lacey struck out but made it to first on catcher Lorraine Maitin's error; after that Centennial's defence unravelled.

Tracy Snedden's single brought Lacey home and Snedden scored later when Centennial couldn't decide who should catch a shallow outfield fly hit by Gimby.

Vanderzwaag made it to second on an easy infield grounder when first baseman Angie Fyke lost Lisa Kerr's throw from third in the sun, an error that also opened Gimby's dash for home. Vanderzwaag eventually stole third and home to make the score 7-0.

Dawn Smale scored the remaining Condor run in the sixth after doubling on a driving outfield fly fumbled by Jackie Benjamin. On a third-base steal later and an out-of-play throw, the umpire allowed Smale to advance home.

In commenting on his team's "sluggish" start, coach Ron Taylor said, "I knew once we had people on base we'd score on them."

"From the fifth inning on

everybody started to play better. Before that, they were trying to hit the ball too hard."

Taylor said in a tournament game against Centennial this year the Condors "beat them pretty bad," and he's concerned about overconfidence.

"I try to put a lot of subs in, change the pitcher, so the score's not 15-0," he said.

"That way, the next time we play them the girls don't think, 'Hey, we blew them away last time.' If the score's reasonable, it's in their heads that they could come back."



Condor Tracy Gimby steals second while Centennial player Creola Ienna waits for the throw.
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George Vivieros

Tracy Snedden

George Viveiros is Conestoga's male athlete of the week. He scored three goals in a 4-1 game against Fanshawe to give the soccer Condors their first win of the season. Viveiros is in the business administration accounting program at Doon.

Tracy Snedden, of the softball Condors, is the female athlete of the week. In three games Snedden paced the team with eight hits, including a homer and nine RBIs. Snedden is in the business administration marketing program at Doon.



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Hockey coach hopeful

By Rick Webster

Conestoga's hockey Condors opened their exhibition schedule with a loss to the visiting Sheridan Bears Sept. 27.

The smaller Sheridan team came at the Condors in spurts and managed to come away with a 9-4 victory.

Sheridan opened scoring at 11:22 of the first period following exciting end-to-end action, with a power-play goal by Rod Anthony. Condor Jay Innes was serving a two-minute hooking penalty.

Less than a minute later Sheridan jumped ahead 2-0 with a quick tip-in that fooled Condor goalie Terry Davis.

Innes took advantage of a power-play opportunity midway through the period when he tipped home a pass from Rich Goode to bring the Condors within one goal of the Bears.

Sheridan capitalized on another Condor penalty at 6:56 to widen the score to 3-1.

Nearing the end of the first period, Sheridan managed to score two quick goals in less than a minute.

Doug McIntosh, a second-year defenceman, put a strong slapshot past the Sheridan goalie to capitalize on a power-play opportunity with 17 seconds remaining in the period.

Women's varsity soccer goes outside

By Mike Matthews

Women's soccer joins the list of varsity sports at Conestoga, due to the high level of interest generated by the women's indoor season last year.

The 16-player indoor team was undefeated during its winter exhibition schedule, winning four games and earning two ties.

The new varsity schedule consists of two tournaments: a regional tournament Oct. 13-14 at Conestoga and the Ontario college championships two weeks later at Loyalist College in Belleville.

Eight teams play the tournament schedule, with six teams playing a league schedule.

Coach Geoff Johnstone views the team's first season as an experiment.

"We decided to compete in the tournament rather than the league schedule, as we wanted to gauge the level of interest here at Conestoga in the first year, before committing ourselves to league play," he said.

The team practises twice a week, with 14 or 15 players able to attend Monday's practice session and half that on Wednesdays.

Five players have returned from last year's indoor team and Johnstone likes what he has seen so far from his first-year players.

"I've really been impressed with the players that have come out this year, as there's quite an impressive group of first-year players with excellent soccer skills," he said.

Johnstone doesn't know what to expect from other teams in the tournament, but feels that both Loyalist and Mohawk will field strong teams as they have done in the past.

But the Condors sank deeper when Sheridan scored their third power-play marker at 13:52, bringing the score to 6-2.

Conestoga scored once more in the period and Sheridan posted two more goals on the scoreboard to close out second-period scoring.

Heading into the third trailing 8-3, Conestoga players kept their cool as tempers flared. Sheridan started taking unnecessary aggressor-style penalties shortly after each drop of the puck.

Conestoga forward Brad Chard gave his team a goal in the dying minutes on a pass from Jeff Coulter from behind the net. Chard one-timed the pass and put it upstairs past the Sheridan goalie.

Scott Long, who took over as head coach this year, was impressed with his team's effort.

"(Sheridan) scored four goals in a matter of four minutes. If it wasn't for that, the game would have been tied," said Long.



Rookie goalie Marc McCallum reaches for the puck as Dean Darrigan watches on.
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Association Waterloo centre to provide 90 day-care spots plans rally

By Nancy Medeiros

Doon Student Association president John Lassel is looking for students to be part of a strike committee set up to make banners for a rally and keep the student body informed if a strike occurs.

If faculty does strike, the Ontario Community Colleges Student Presidents' Association plans to lobby the provincial government and hold a rally at Queen's Park Oct. 18. An emergency board of directors meeting will also be set up.

The association anticipates a turnout of five per cent of the 113,000 students enrolled in Ontario's community colleges at the rally.

Lassel is concerned about short-term implications of the strike. If it does occur, students will have to make up for lost time by attending classes that extend into summer. This means university and high school students will have an upper hand at obtaining summer jobs, he explained.

During the strike in 1984, Christmas break was shoredened, spring break was cancelled and the academic year was extended by two weeks.

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By Brian Shypula

Conestoga College has received an approval in principle from the Ministry of Community and Social Services to build an \$800,000 day-care facility at Waterloo campus.

The project is an arrangement among the college, the ministry and Manufacturers Life Insurance Company. Manufacturers Life will contribute \$218,000 toward the construction of the centre in exchange for 30 of the proposed 90 day-care spots being allotted to their employees' children. The college will staff the centre with employees and students from the early childhood education program. The arrangement is similar to that between Conestoga College and Freure Homes Ltd. at the Tall Pines day-care centre.

Construction was to begin Sept.

1, but problems with the ministry have delayed the project, said David Putt, director of physical resources at the college.

Putt explained in order for the project to receive funding from the ministry, the college must submit tendered documents outlining a contractor's construction budget. However, to proceed with accepting tenders, the college must be sure of receiving funding.

"The project's in limbo," said Putt. "I'm not going to stick my neck out committing the college to spending \$750,000."

Putt added as soon as the problems with the ministry are sorted out, the college is prepared to accept tenders for the construction.

The day-care centre will be located at the rear of Waterloo campus, adjacent to the main building

with a playground separating the two structures.

The outside dimensions of the centre measure 711 sq. m but a mezzanine will increase the floor space to 720 sq. m indoors. The main level will contain six large rooms; two will be play areas for the development of motor skills and four rooms will double as classrooms and sleep areas.

Laundry, kitchen and storage facilities will also be on the bottom level.

The elevated mezzanine, measuring less than 10 per cent of the lower level's area in order to meet fire regulations, will house a staff and faculty lounge, work areas and possibly an observation room to the lower level.

This architectural design has also contributed to the delay.

Putt explained provincial

government regulations for day-care facilities require 9 sq. m of space per child. With 90 proposed spots, the Waterloo facility would fall short of the guideline.

Putt said because the early childhood education staff has access to rooms inside the main building, the minimum requirement for space should be met.

The college had originally planned to lease space for the new day-care centre but zoning restrictions and high lease rates prevented this.

Putt said renovations to an existing building would cost \$400,000 to \$500,000 with yearly lease payments of \$90,000.

"It made more sense to build our own," said Putt.

The exact budget for the project is \$792,216 "if nothing goes wrong," he added.



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